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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/804,819
Filing Date	March 19, 2004
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Group Art Unit	3753
Examiner Name	John K. Ford
Attorney Docket Number	2003P02190 US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CRA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on March 3, 2006
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other FURTHER RESPONSE TO FOLLOW AND THE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT IS MET BY APPLICANTS' AMENDMENT UPON FINAL REJECTION, FILED 03/03/2006 ALONG WITH ITS NEW ISSUES NOTED IN ADVISORY ACTION OF 03/17/06, TO BE ENTERED AND CONSIDERED
- b. Enclosed CONSIDER
- Amendment/Reply
 - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other REQUEST FOR A ONE MONTH EXTENSION TO APRIL 19, 2006 IS ENCLOSED

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0105 (ONLY DEFICIENCY - SEE OTHER BELOW)
- RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - Other ONLY DEFICIENCY IN REQUIRED RCE FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(e) IF ANY
- b. Check/in the amount of \$ 790.00 enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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